

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Work at a DSS licensed/registered child care facility
  - ⇒ at least 15 hours per week for the School-Age Credential Scholarship
  - ⇒ at least 20 hours per week for the Early Childhood Credential Scholarship
  - ⇒ at least 30 hours for either the Associate or Bachelor Degree Scholarship
- Teachers need to earn equal to or less than \$14.45 per hour
- Directors, Owners or Family/Group Providers need to earn equal to or less than \$21.15 per hour

## COST BREAKDOWN

CENTER TEACHER OR DIRECTOR (NON-OWNER)		
SCHOLARSHIP COSTS	Tuition & Books	Travel
T.E.A.C.H. Pays	80%	\$75.00 to the student
Center Pays	10%	—
Student Pays	10%	—
CENTER OWNER OR FAMILY/GROUP PROVIDER		
SCHOLARSHIP COSTS	Tuition & Books	Travel
T.E.A.C.H. Pays	80%	\$75.00 to
Student Pays	20%	—

## RELEASE TIME ASSISTANCE

Release Time is a necessary part of the success of teachers and family/group providers participating in the T.E.A.C.H. Bachelor and Associate Degree program. It is paid time away from work for students to go to class, study or attend to personal errands. T.E.A.C.H. will reimburse the center or family/group provider 75% of the valid release time hours at the rate of \$10.00/hour (this equals \$7.50 per hour).

The T.E.A.C.H. EARLY CHILDHOOD® project, now in its second decade, is flourishing throughout the United States as more and more states recognize the benefits of a well-educated, well-compensated early childhood workforce. This national project is an effort to improve the quality of child care by focusing on scholarship, education, commitment and compensation.

T.E.A.C.H. EARLY CHILDHOOD® SOUTH CAROLINA provides scholarships for directors, teachers, and family/group providers working in child care to complete course work in early childhood education. In 2001, the Center for Child Care Career Development (CCCCD) established the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps (T.E.A.C.H.) Early Childhood® project to:

- reduce turnover rates,
- increase the education of child care providers,
- combat poor teacher compensation,
- and improve the quality of child care.

## APPLYING TO T.E.A.C.H.

T.E.A.C.H. accepts applications on a rolling basis. Students are encouraged to contact their local college/university to ensure that classes are available before applying. Completed applications will have attached a paystub or statement verifying income that confirms the number of hours worked per week and the hourly wage or salary. Associate and Bachelor Degree recipients will also include confirmation that they have applied for financial aid. Students can apply for financial aid at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov).

Please contact us for an application or more information at:

**SC Center for Child Care Career Development**  
**T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**PO Box 5616**  
**Greenville, SC 29606-5616**  
**1-866-845-1555**  
**[www.sc-cccd.net](http://www.sc-cccd.net)**

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**PROGRAM**



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*A Project of South Carolina Center for Child Care Career Development*

T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® South Carolina is a licensed program of Child Care Services Association.

# TEACHER EDUCATION AND COMPENSATION HELPS

## CREENTIAL

### Education

**Class:** Introduction to Early Childhood (ECD 101) or Best Practices in Youth and School-Age Care (SAC 101)

**Colleges:** Any of the 16 state technical/community colleges

**DSS Training Hours:** 20 hours

### Compensation

Any student that successfully passes ECD 101 or SAC 101 with a "C" grade or higher can receive the *South Carolina Early Childhood or School-Age Credential*.

T.E.A.C.H. will also pay a bonus, to any student who is currently working in childcare, for the following:

Early Childhood Credential	School-Age Credential
\$200.00	\$100.00

### Commitment

- \* Remain employed at your sponsoring center during your contract dates
- \* Continue employment in the field of child care for an additional year past the end of the contract date

## ASSOCIATE

### Education

**Associate Degree:** Any class that is included in a degree in Early Care and Education

**Credentials Offered:** Early Childhood, School-Age, Infant/Toddler, and Director

**Certificates Offered:** Child Care, Special Needs, Early Childhood Development, Child Care Management and ECD Diploma

**Colleges:** Any of the 16 state technical/community colleges

### Compensation

Any scholarship recipient that successfully passes nine credit hours in a contract year is eligible for a bonus.

T.E.A.C.H. Pays	Center Pays
\$300.00 to the student	\$300.00 to the student or a 2% salary raise

T.E.A.C.H. will also pay a bonus, to any student who is currently working in childcare, for the following:

Infant/Toddler Credential	Director Credential
\$500.00*	\$300.00*

### Commitment

- \* Remain employed at your sponsoring center during your contract dates
- \* Continue employment at your sponsoring child care center for an additional year past the end of the contract date

## BACHELOR

### Education

**Bachelor Degree:** Any class that is included in a degree in Early Childhood Education

**Colleges/Universities:** Call us or check our website for the updated list

**Eligibility Requirements:** 55 hours of transferable credit

### Compensation

Any scholarship recipient that successfully passes nine credit hours in a contract year is eligible for a bonus.

T.E.A.C.H. Pays	Center
\$600.00 to the student	Pays \$600.00 to the student or a 4% salary raise
Student Teaching/Internship Semester \$3000.00 stipend to the student	Does not pay for tuition for the semester

### Commitment

- \* Remain employed at your sponsoring center during your contract dates
  - ⇒ Student Teaching/Internship Semester—recipient must be employed at least 10 hours per week and center can claim up to 15 hours of release time
- \* Continue employment at your sponsoring child care center for an additional year past the end of the contract date